

They moved from Grayson County to Taswell County and then to Pocahontas County

Lydia Alice was eight years old at that time, and Bill Crigger who was the son wagons and came to Mill Point. They had to live in their wagons for two weeks of Rhoda and Frank Crigger was about 6 months old. They traveled in covered before they could find a suitable place to live. They finally found a house at Swago Creek near Buckeye.

happened to Frank Crigger. He never cameback, leaving his wife and son Bill with Their son, William, and their son-in-law, Frank Crigger, went back to Taswell County to work in the coal mines. Their son, William, was killed. No on knows what the family, 1888.

They like living at Swago Creek. They had good neighbors and had a good place

decided to move his family to this neighborhood. By this time his daughter, Mahala, was married to Charles McNeil and Matilda was married to Ed Auldredge. They both John was still a book salesman, while selling books, he came to Beaver Creek and had bomes near Buckeye.

lived there a few years. Then moved into a log house belonging to Linda Alderman, The Moran family moved into the house which is called the Joe Pyles house. They which is now the Clarence Gaylor place.

on Reaver Creek about 1 mile from the Joe Plyes place, which he donated for school There was no school house in the neighborhood, Wesley Underwood built a log house

There was a church near the Beaver Creek Cenetary, but was burned down.

labor was free. It was the Beaver Creek Church and school for several years, this All the families in the neighborhood decided to build a church. Since John Moran was a carpenter he gladly helped some, donated money for nails and windows. The old building still stands.

teacher and carpenter. At that time school houses were so scarce and very few John C. Moran was an orphan child in Grayson County, Virginia. He was raised by a wealthy family who cared for and educated him. At the age of eighteen, he was considered a brilliant and understanding young man. He was a school people sent their children to school. John Moran travelled through the country on horse back and taught the children in their homes, some were so poor they could not pay him. But he taught them all, he also helped the children to get paper, pencils, slates and books. He liked this work very much. He also gave writing lessons to the older people.

He merried Mary LaRue and they lived in Grayson County . They were very happy for some time. He continued to teach and do carpenter work. John also sold a large assortment of books sometimes Mary would accompany him on his trips. Then John Moran was called to war, at that time they had two children: Mahala and William.

around Mary's house and as soon as the battle was over Mary would go among the heard that John had been very ill. He had contacted measles and had to travel Mary did not hear from him for several months. Sometimes buttles were fought through the rain, causing him to take pneumonia. When he came home he had a dead to see if any of the men were John. After long months of waiting, she nervous condition. During the civil war the soldiers did not get payed and their wives did not get allotment checks. Times were very hard. John gave up teaching and traveled around selling pooks. They lived in Grayson Co.

for several years and had more children besides, William and Mahala. They were ratified, Rinds, Nancy Ellzabeth, and Lydia Alfe. Their daughter Rhoda married Frank Crigger.

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John Moran was getting old this was his last carpenter job; however he still made furniture such as-cubboards, chest of drawers and wagons.

Mary Moran was a very talented woman, she was a taylor and an artist. She made baskets, paper flowers, quilts and rugs.

When they died they were layed to rest in the Key Cemetary-near Swago.

Grandma Moran (Mary Larue) was from a big southern plantation. John, her husband, had to go to war. She would go out and turn over the solders to see if any was her husband. She had a slave from her plantation home with her. Her husband,

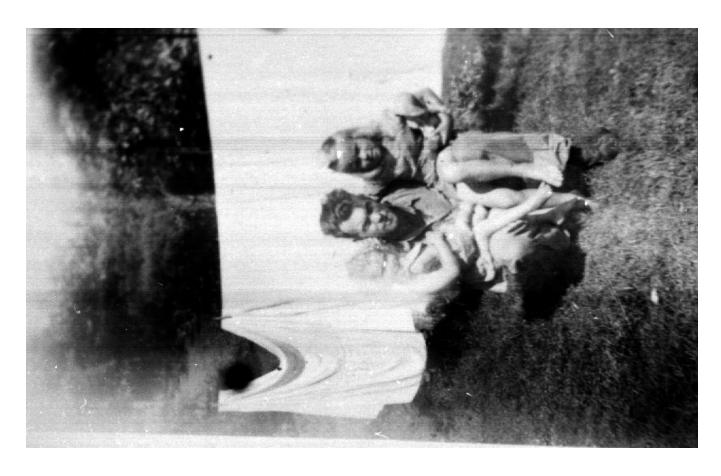
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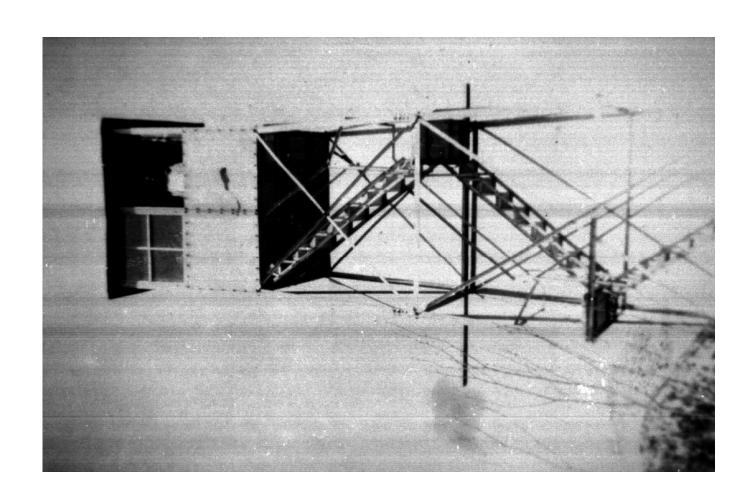
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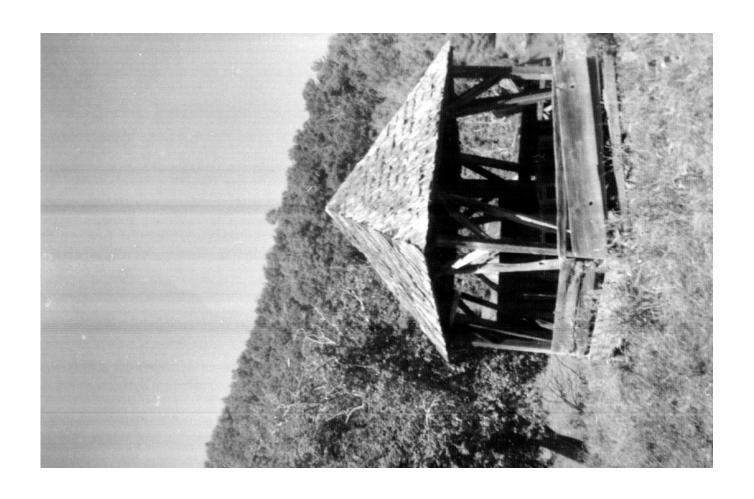








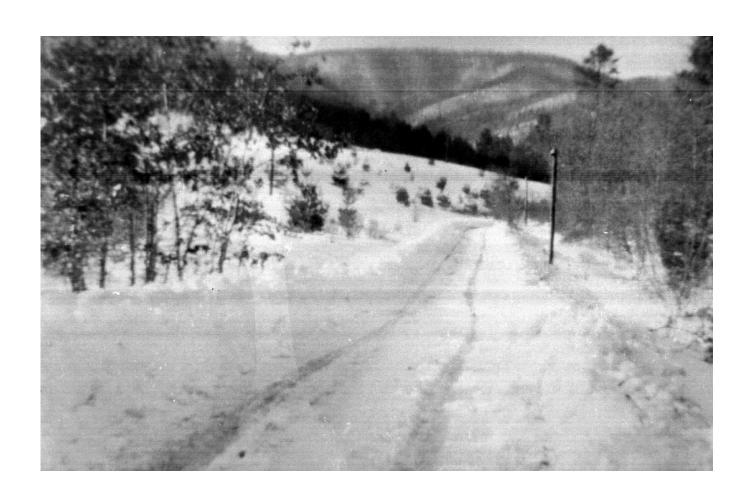


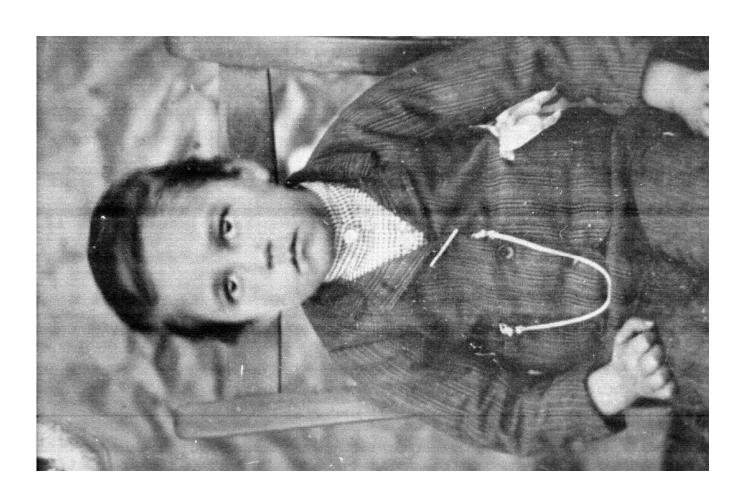






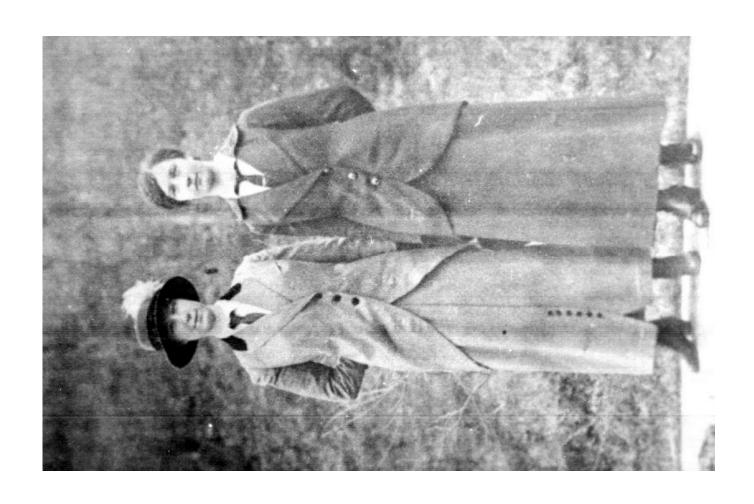


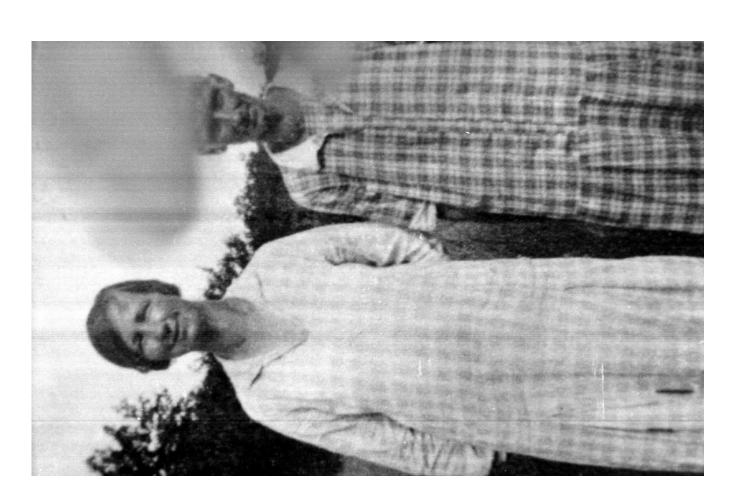


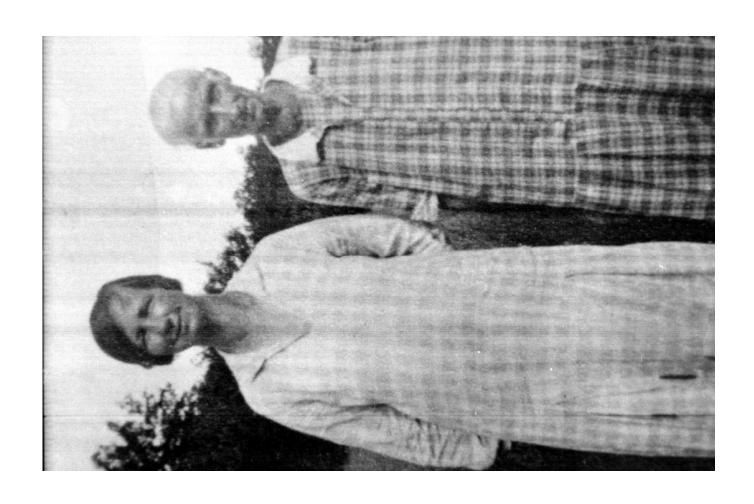


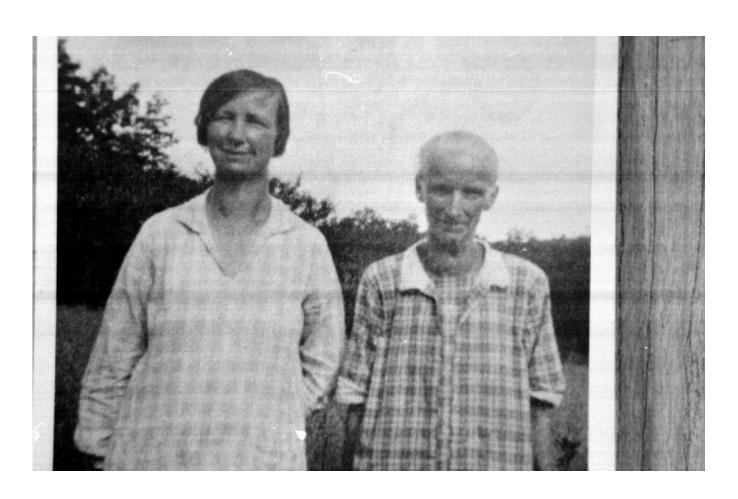


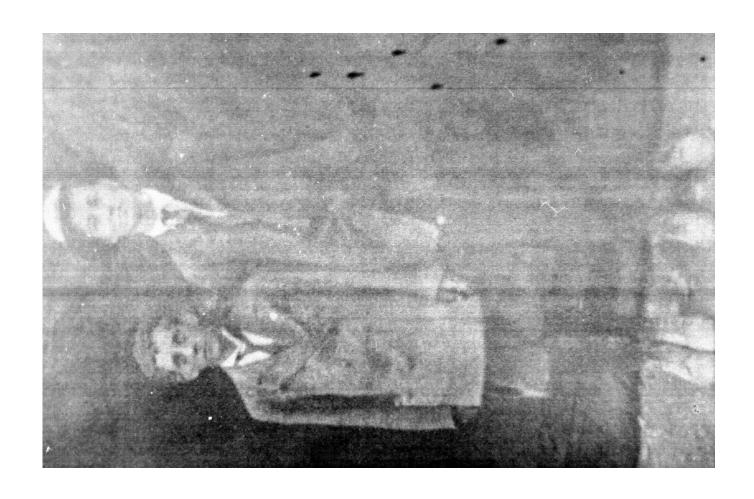






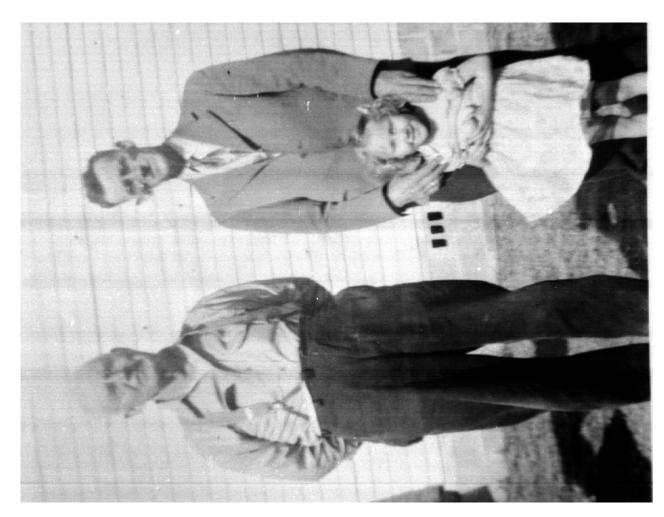


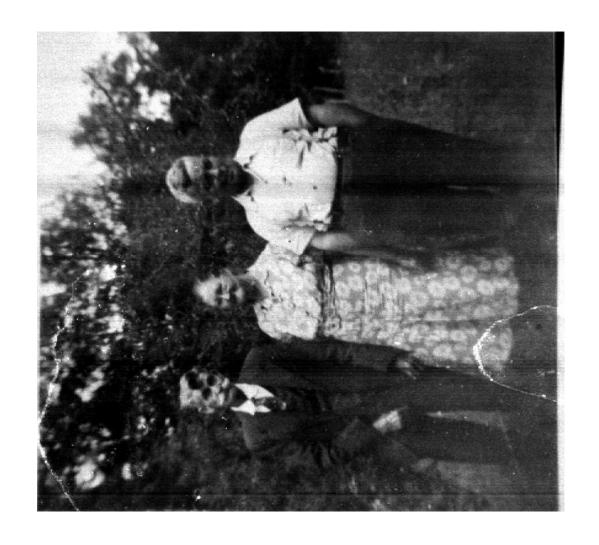


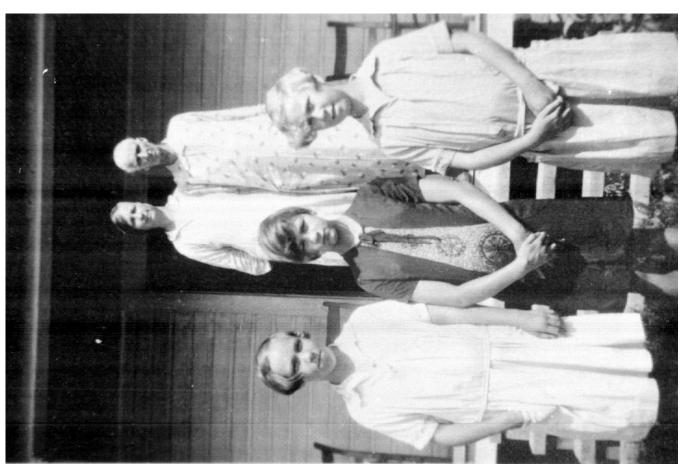




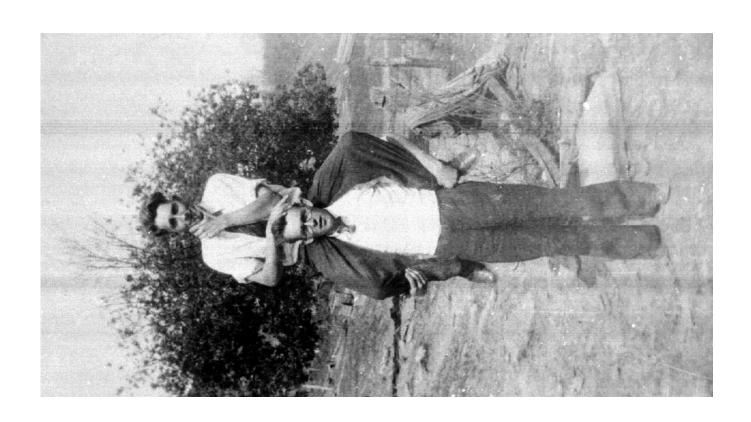


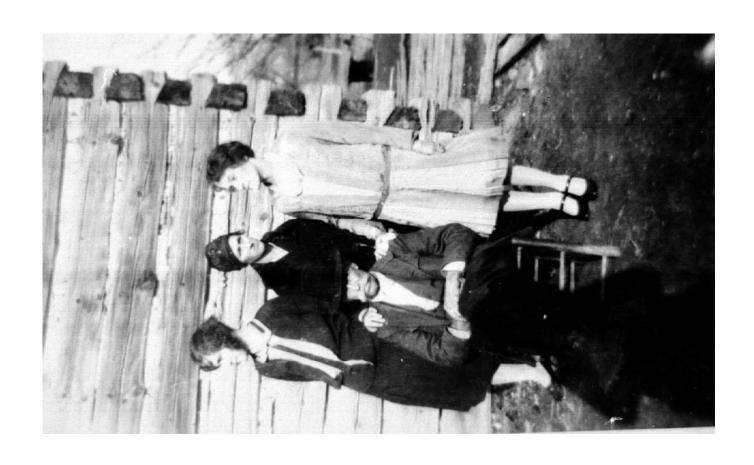


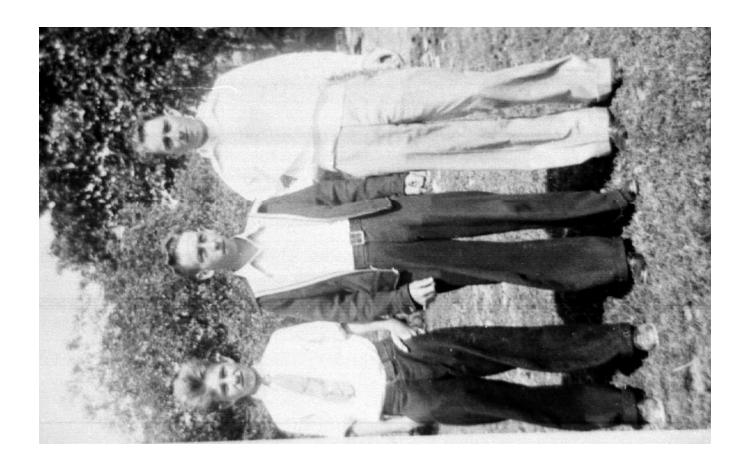






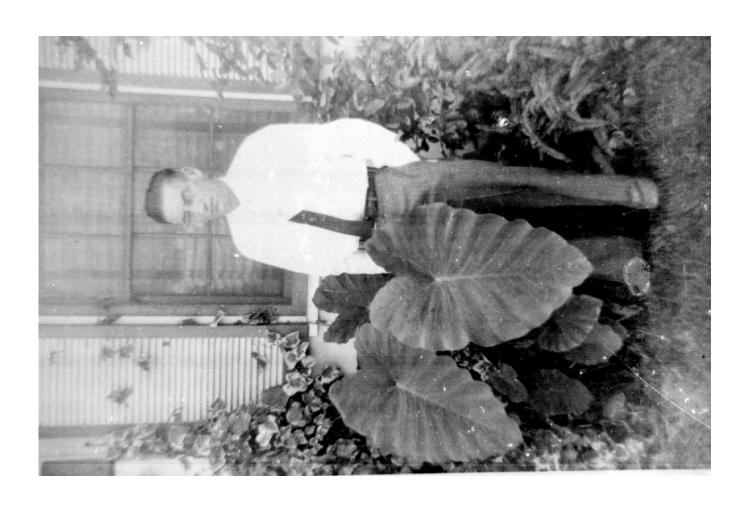


















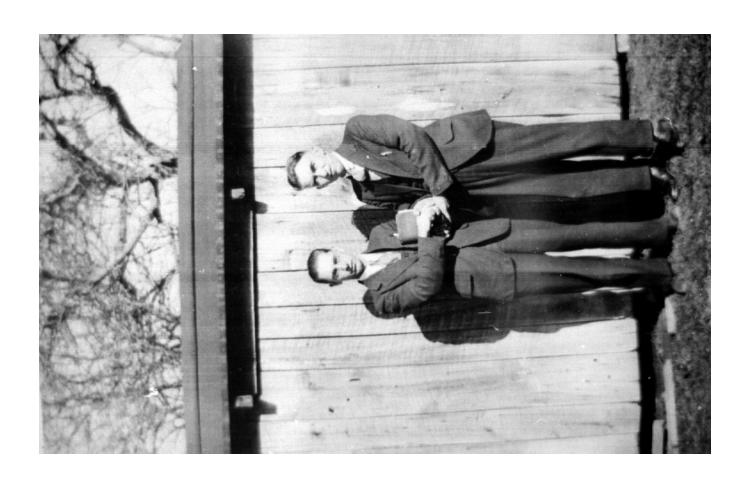




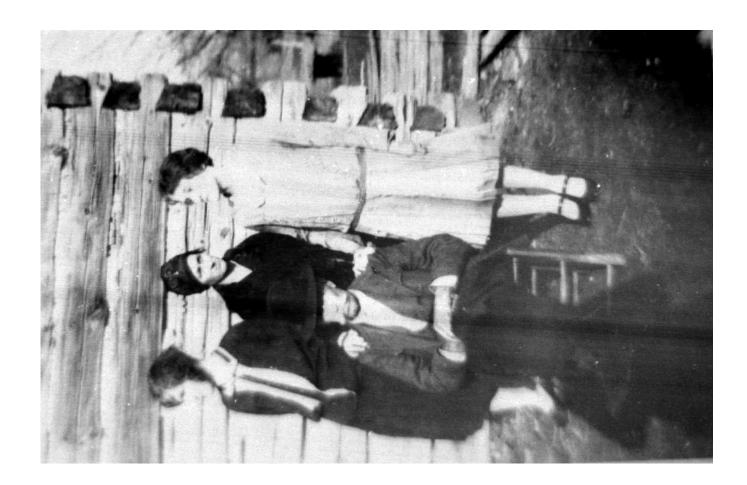




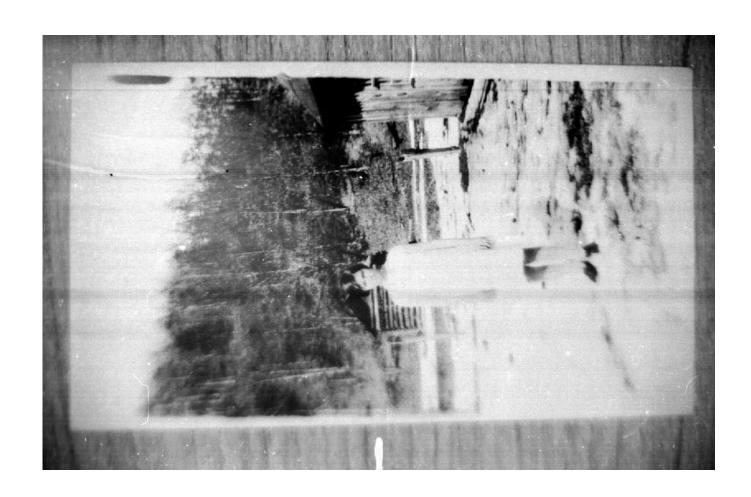


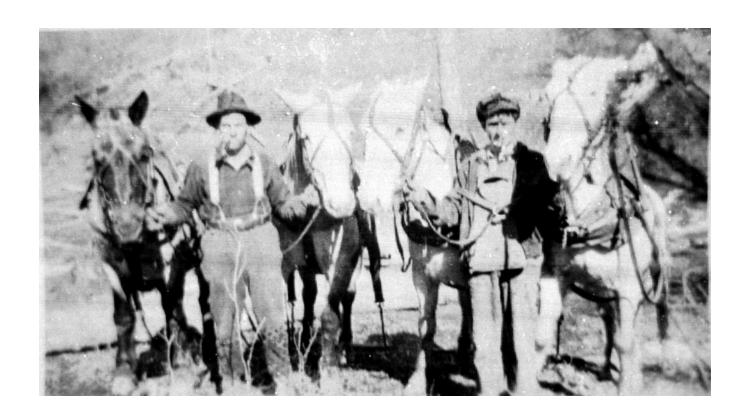












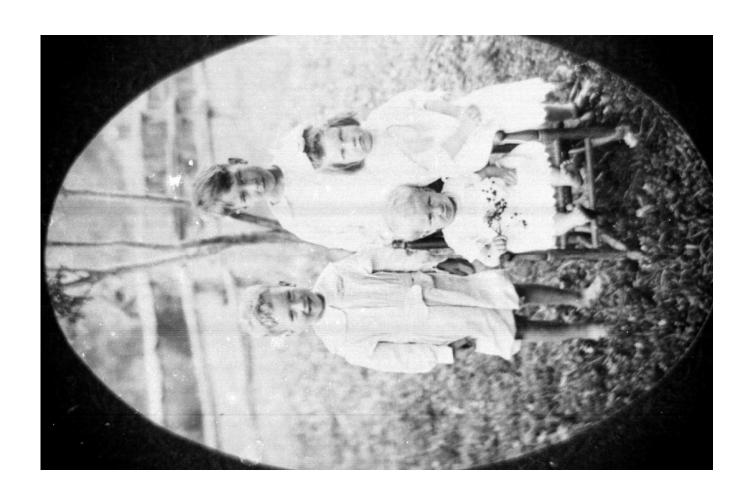


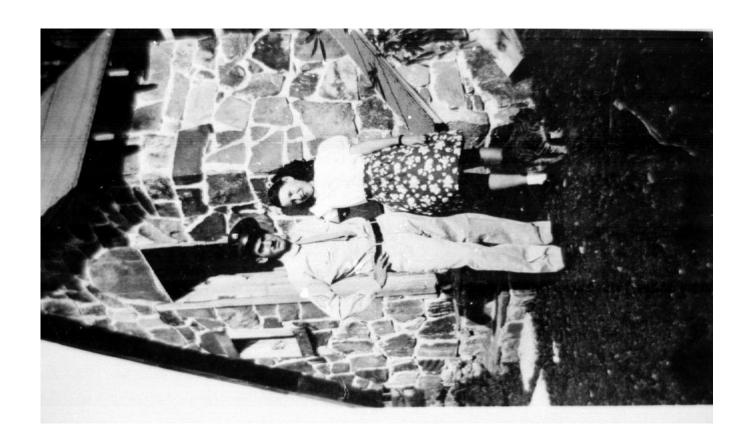






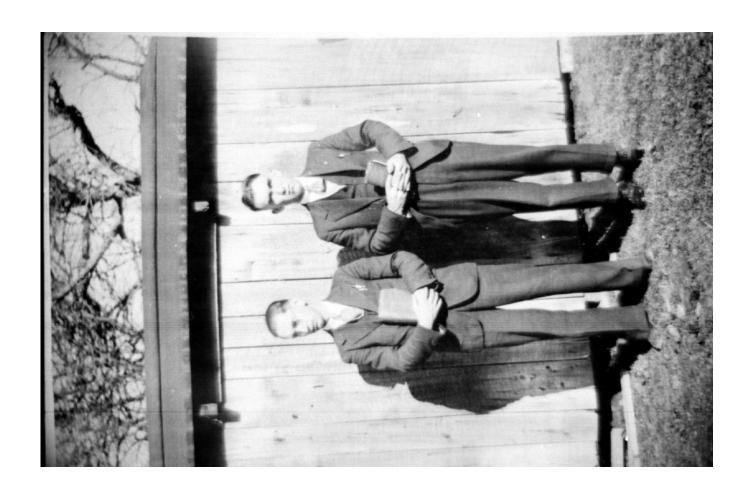


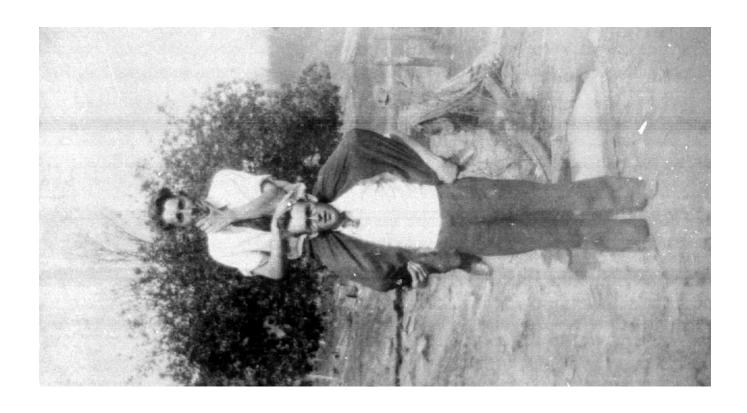




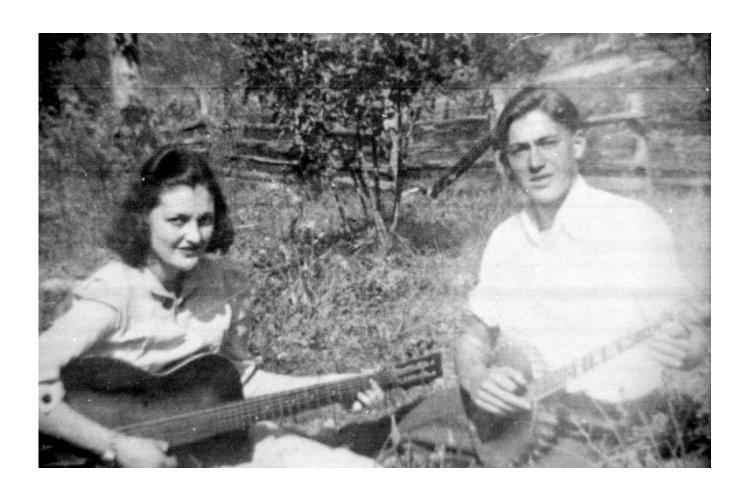


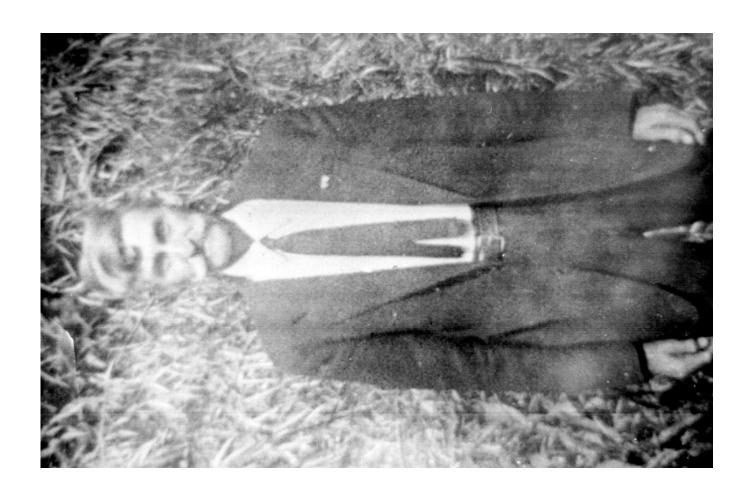


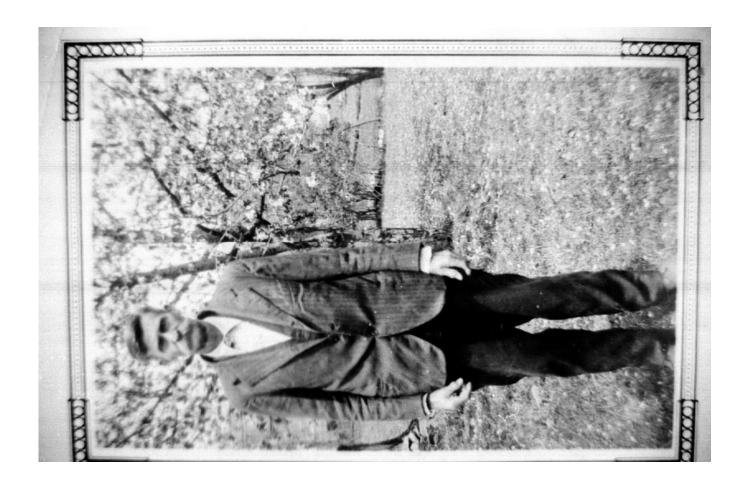


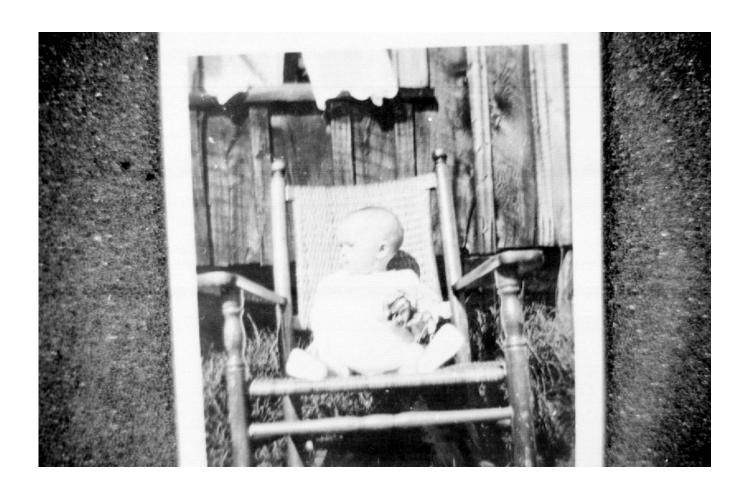


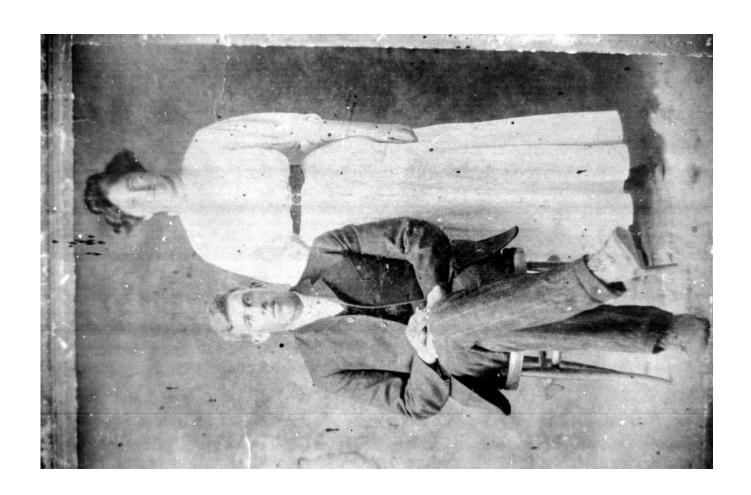


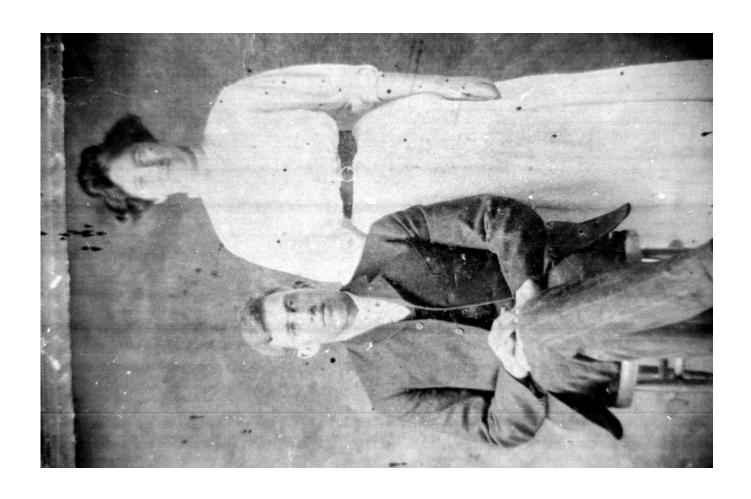


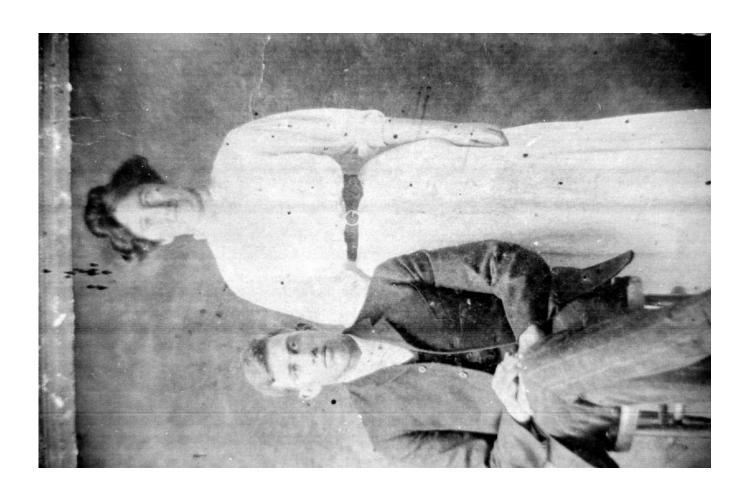


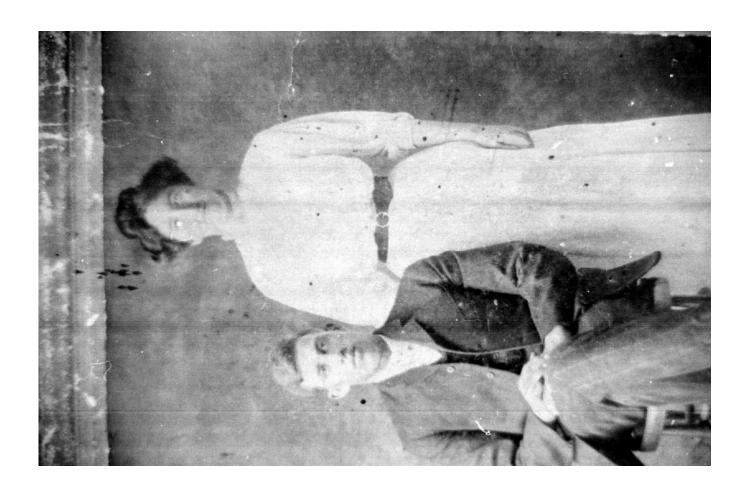




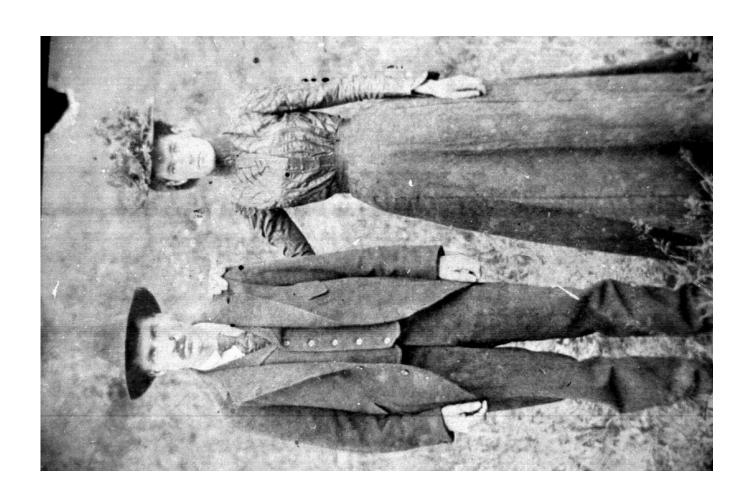






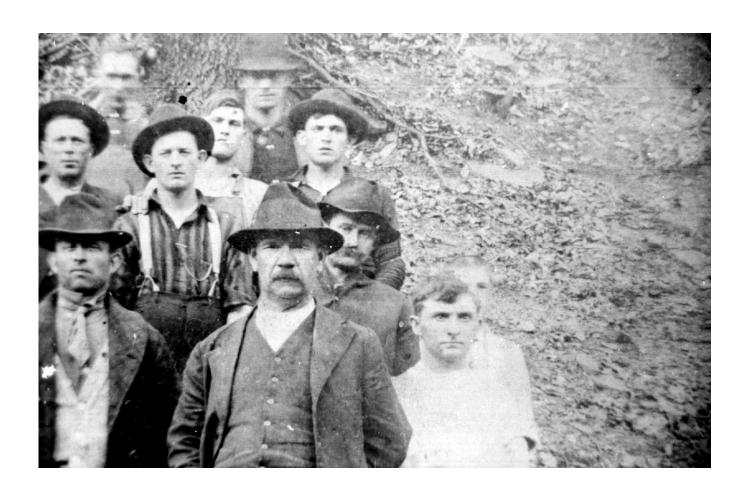




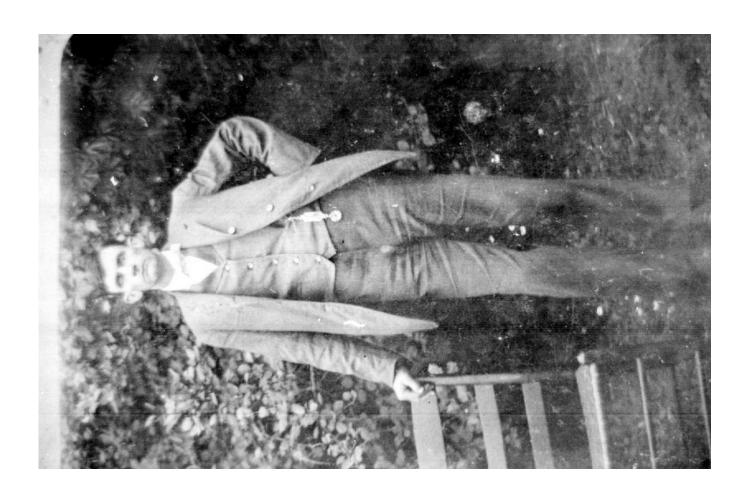


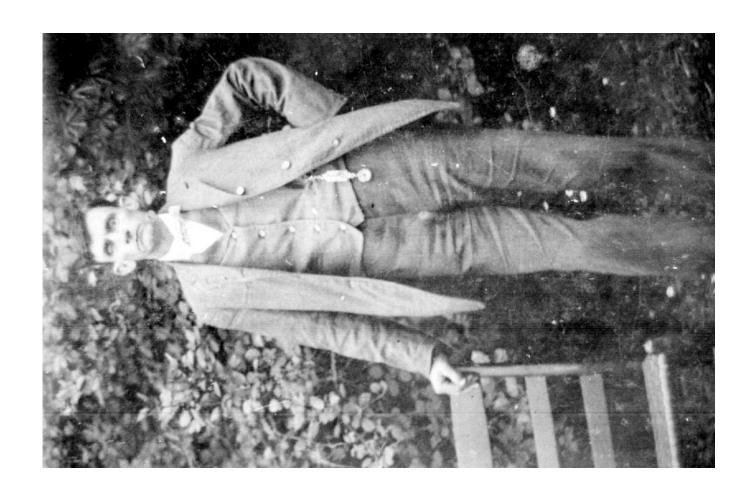














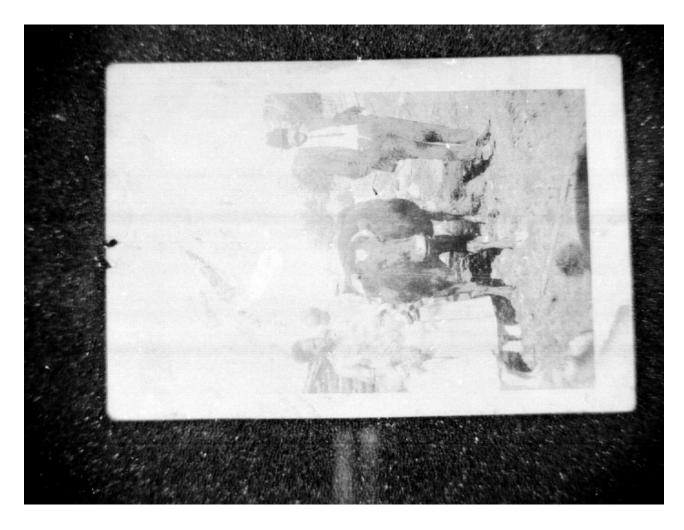










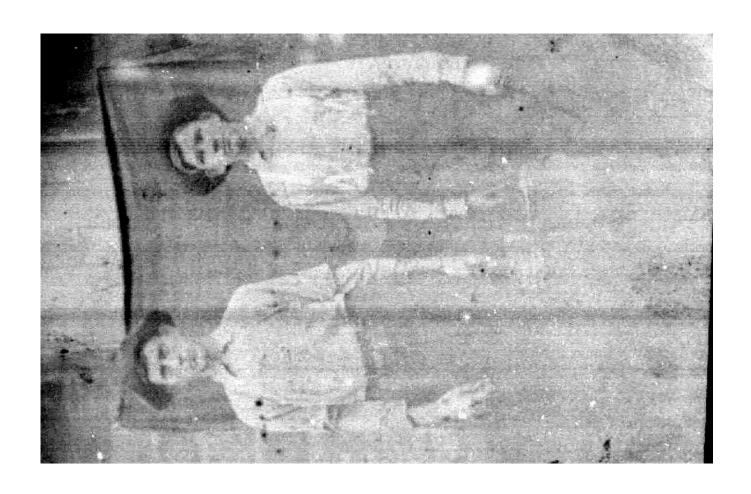








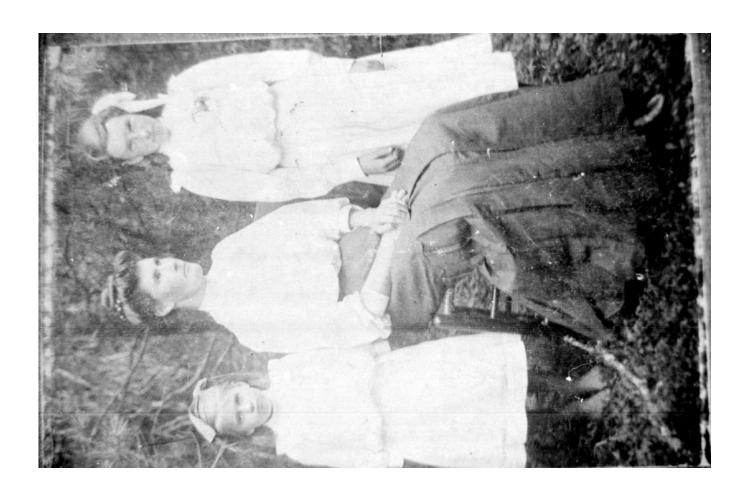




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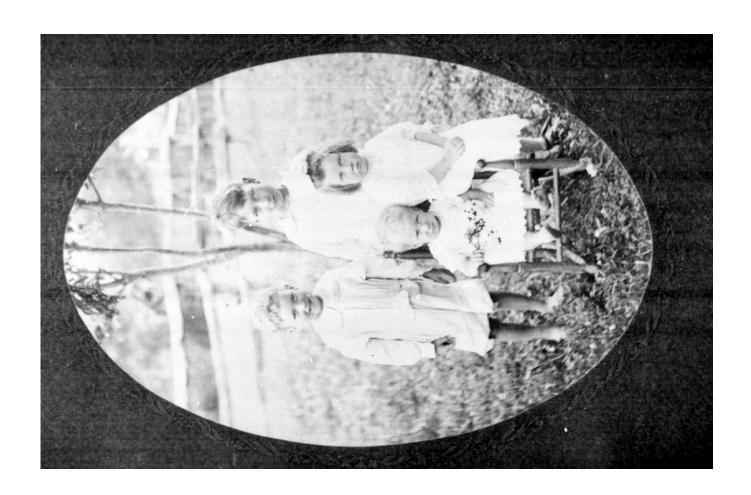






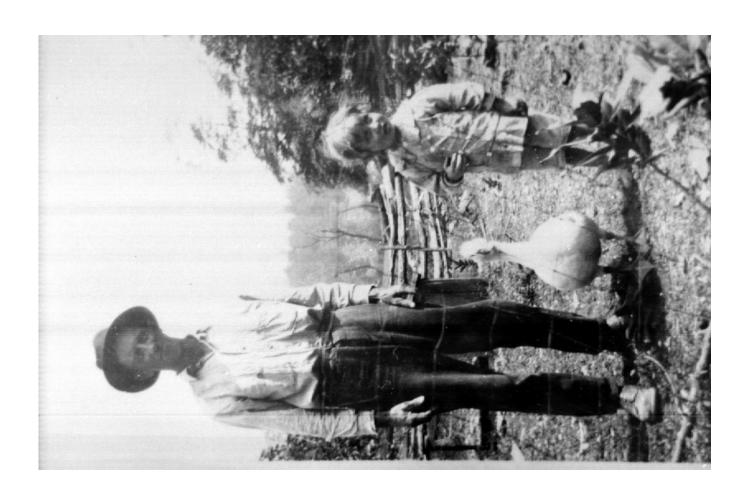








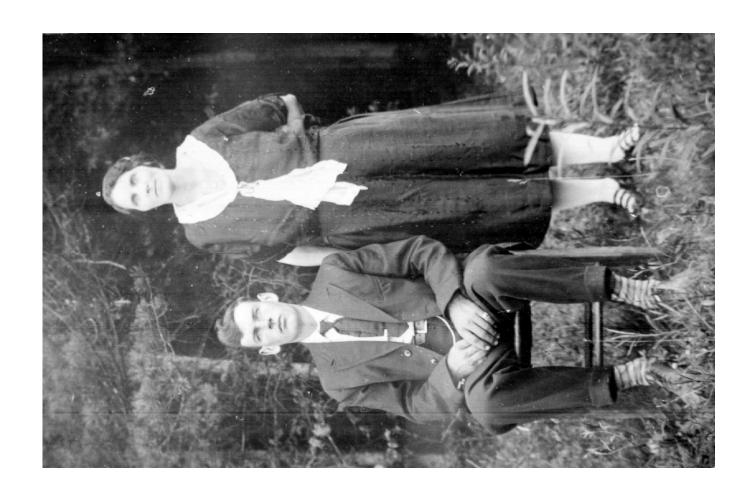
























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